

County News.

ADDISON.

It is expected there will be a two-days' meeting of the Vermont board of agriculture at Addison in the near future. The exercises will be very interesting, as it is promised the full board will be present.

CORNWALL.

Mr. Rowe of Essex, N. Y., is in town a guest of his sister, Mrs. Harriet Fields.

C. E. Sampson, our popular wheelwright, is absent on a visit to his brother in Amsterdam, N. Y.

The meetings during the week of prayer were well attended, despite the almost impassable condition of the roads.

Prof. James Porter, teacher of music in Temple Grove Seminary, Saratoga, was in town over Sunday, visiting his mother and brother, Dr. E. O. Porter.

Mrs. Martin M. Peck died Wednesday evening, Jan. 13, after a protracted illness of many months. She leaves a husband and one son, and an aged father, Samuel Everts, to mourn her loss.

In the death of Benjamin S. Fields, which occurred at his late residence January 3, the community loses one of its best members. Mr. Fields had always been an active energetic man, and had been elected by his townsmen to many offices of public trust, the duties of which he faithfully performed. Mr. Fields was twice married. His first wife, Miss Emily Ellsworth, daughter of Jesse Ellsworth, died about 20 years ago. He then married Miss Harriet Rowe of Essex, N. Y., who survives him; also three sons two of whom are in business in California.

WEST CORNWALL.

Henry Jones is sick with fever.

Several from here, relatives, attended the funeral of Mrs. Frank Moore of Shoreham on Monday.

E. O. Simonds is home; again we have not learned whether he has come for a visit or that this will be his abiding-place for some time to come.

The cold wave is upon us, but we ought not to complain, as much colder weather is reported in our daily papers, in other places and in latitude several degrees south of us.

Elmer Simonds had the misfortune to cut one of his feet badly Tuesday morning. He was in the woods east belonging to Alonzo Peck; he and Joseph Remly, who was with him, bandaged up the wounded foot as best they could and they came home, when Dr. Bond was called and the wound properly cared for. He will doubtless be laid up for some time as the wound is an ugly one.

The funeral of Stella Robinson was attended at the home of her grandfather, Jason Jones, last Thursday, Rev. Mr. Palmer of Middlebury preaching the sermon. Stella was nineteen years old and a few weeks past. She was in Middlebury at the time she was taken sick, studying German with other studies. Overwork brought on a fever, which made such strides on a not very strong constitution that she died Tuesday preceding the funeral. She was a girl of sterling qualities, much thought of among her mates as their tears testified at her funeral. She was the idol and delight of her widowed mother, on whom this loss falls with crushing weight. May she find comfort and strength to bear her loss and other burdens which may press heavily upon her. God's ways are mysterious ways, and while it may seem as though she might have been spared where she was so loved and cherished and others who would be glad to leave this earth for a home in Heaven been taken, yet upon this we must not cavil, knowing it was God's will.

ORWELL.

Miss Kate Winchester is reported as suffering more pain.

Our selectmen have assessed a State school tax of nine per cent on the grand list, that being the least they could do under the present law.

Mrs. Julius Stacy, daughter of N. W. King of this town, died at her home in Benson on Sunday morning last, after a lingering sickness, from consumption.

Mrs. Deacon J. S. Wilcox has returned from quite an extensive visit at her father's in Montpelier. We are glad to see her pleasant face again after so long an absence.

Miss Addie Kimball is spending her vacation at home and is reported as passing nearly a perfect examination at the State normal school in Castleton at the close of last term.

Col. Wright remains about as he has been for a week past, as does also Miss Minnie Cutts. These are the only sick ones in town at the present time, though many are suffering from colds and the like.

More property stolen by Wm. Hadley has been identified. A very good telescope which was stolen from Mr. Andrew Webster of Sudbury has been identified and taken by him after passing through several hands since Hadley sold it. The harness spoken of last week has not as yet been claimed. Hadley escaped from Constable Roach of Hubbardston and has not been recaptured as yet.

Miss Helen M. Todd has in preparation a new poem, which, when completed, we trust she may be induced to favor our own people with before she reads it in other towns. She is already receiving invitations from other towns to read her

poem entitled "The Star of Bethlehem," which has already been listened to by appreciative audiences in several towns of the State. The new poem is entitled: "The Merry Times of Sixty Years Ago." It is a grandfather's story to the children, describing the times when he was a boy; the district school exhibitions; the compositions of the girls; the declamations of the boys; the music on the fiddle; the dialogues, after which the apple-paring, then the quilting, followed by the shaking of the quilt and closing with the dance and the wooing of Jennie Gage. It is just what will draw an audience. The music with which these readings are interspersed is a taking feature of her entertainments, and she is growing in favor with the literary people of the land.

EAST MIDDLEBURY.

Tuesday morning the mercury indicated 24 degrees below.

A McCabe family, consisting of six persons, were the first of last week in a pitiable condition. Mrs. McCabe had the rheumatism and was unable to do anything, one son cut his foot badly and the other three children were sick with canker-rash. The four were under the doctor's care at the same time.

Needham Post, No. 68, G. A. R. held a public installation of officers and camp fire Jan. 7. The following officers were installed by Past Commander H. D. Maynard: H. H. Ellis, P. C.; A. Peck, S. V. C.; J. P. Kirby, J. V. C.; G. S. Grosvenor, sergeant; W. H. Olmsted, chaplain; F. B. Piper, Q. M.; I. W. Clark, adj.; J. M. Nash, O. D.; C. P. Jones, O. G.; A. Youtt, S. M.; A. English, Q. M. S.

VERGENNES.

The sociable at Mr. Vittum's was well attended and very enjoyable. Ice cream, cakes and coffee were served for the sum of ten cents.

A little three-year-old girl of John Daniels died last Saturday, of whooping cough. This is the third victim in this place recently.

We hear nothing of the creamery meeting held at town hall some two or three weeks ago. Hope a creamery will be started near this place.

Rev. Mr. Taylor, who is to become the pastor of St. Paul's parish, will probably live in the house that C. A. Booth, Esq., purchased of Mrs. A. E. Kimball.

Letters from Jane M. Smith, who is visiting at Holcomb, Ill., indicate that she is enjoying herself with her many friends and relatives in that section.

Last Saturday was the stormiest day of winter; very little business was done. People who came from a distance said it was the worst day they had been out in for years.

The REGISTER AND JOURNAL is out with everything new and we expect soon to see the manager wearing diamonds. Well, they are doing their level best to please the public and it is hoped the public will appreciate their endeavor.

The factories had to shut down a part of last week on account of anchor ice; only the nail works were in operation, and at one time it was thought the ice which had banked up below the falls would drive them out, but it has not yet.

Postoffice Inspector Lamson called in to the Vergennes postoffice one morning last week on his way to Panton and West Addison. He found things all right, and Postmaster Kimball suggested to him when about to leave that he drop him a line when he intended to make another visit. The inspector said he would if he did not forget it.

Last week a dog belonging to Will Porter and one belonging to a man in Ferrisburgh got to fighting, and Porter, it is claimed, made quite violent demonstrations when some of our good citizens attempted to part them, and for that he was arrested and had a jury trial Tuesday, which resulted in his acquittal, although it was well known that he made a rank breach of the peace.

Lieut.-Gov. Ormsbee and Hon. H. B. Sturt, trustees, made their annual inspection of the Reform school. Hon. J. N. North, the other member of the board, was not present as a meeting of the State agricultural society was held at Burlington the same day. It is needless to say that the board found everything just as it should be at the school, as it is always under the efficient management of Supt. Fairbank and wife, assisted by their corps of able deputies.

[From Another Correspondent.]

The scholars of the Congregational Sunday school are preparing for a concert in the church, to be held next Sunday evening.

Zero temperature and over a foot of snow gives the face of nature a real wintery appearance for the first time this season. Sleighs have superseded wagons for general travel.

The National Horse-nail company of Vergennes, in point of stability, is one of the strongest corporations on the falls. It was established twelve years ago, has a capital of \$100,000, and Lawrence Barnes of Burlington is its president. Fifty hands are employed and over one ton of nails are made daily. The Champlain horse nails are found in the markets of nearly every State in the Union, and hold a reputation second to none. They are forged from the best Swedish iron. The main room of the manufactory is 108x12, which is the forging and finishing room. The assorting and packing room is 30x70. The establishment is under the sole supervision of J. G. Hines, Esq. The power is supplied by

a thirty-inch turbine water-wheel, which is equal to 88 horse-power. Three rooms, including the office, which is several rods distant, are heated by steam. Perfect fire arrangements exist. The iron and coal used are landed at the door of the foundry by boat. The buildings are located at the foot of the falls, and at the head of the basin. A blacksmith shop 25x30 will be built in the spring.

SHOREHAM.

This is the programme of the entertainment to be given at Academy hall on Tuesday evening next, the 19th inst. Reserved seats go on sale at C. N. North's Monday:

- PART I.
1. Overture—Orchestra.
 2. *a. We'll Meet Again To-night.*
b. Chinese Song.
Male Quartet.
 3. Song.
 4. Burlesque Selections.
 5. *a. Lovely Night.*
b. Children Come Along.
Quartet.
 6. Orchestra.
 7. *a. The Market on Saturday Night.* *b. Song*
c. Foe-Gwine Back to Dixie. *d. Chio*
Orchestra.

PART II.

To conclude with the popular farce, "My Turn Next," with the following cast of characters:

Taraxium Twitters (a village apothecary) E. H. Moore.
Tim Bolus (his professional assistant) John Larabee.
Tom Trap (a commercial traveler) R. H. Prebble.
Farmer Wheaton (from under the Pinets) S. J. Northrup.
Lydia (Twitters' wife) Miss Forbes.
Edith (her niece) Miss Hall.
Peggy (Twitters' maid servant and house-keeper) Miss Wright.
Scene—A country apothecary's shop parlor. Doors open at 6:30; to begin at 7:30. Admission, 25 cents; reserved seats, 35 cents.

WEYBRIDGE.

The thermometer stood 26 degrees below zero on Tuesday.

H. H. Harbut of Bennington paid us a flying visit last week.

Jake Ellis and wife are rejoicing over a fine baby boy.

There was born, Jan. 6, to Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Hager, a son; 8 lbs.

Rev. Elizabeth Delevan is at West Rutland this week assisting Rev. Mr. Perkins.

The annual meeting of the Temperance union will be held at the W. M. church on Tuesday, Jan. 19, at 6:30 p. m. All members especially invited to attend, as business of importance will come before the meeting.

The remains of Joseph Cherbino, whose death occurred at Lincoln on Monday, were brought here on Wednesday for burial at the monument cemetery. The deceased was a brother of J. B. Cherbino of this town.

Levi C. Sturtevant has purchased of A. J. Stow the lot of land lying between the roads west of the village near the residence of Chas. Sturtevant. He has also the old Stow mansion, standing near the first settlement of Clark Stow. This is nearly or quite the last of the first dwellings in this town. Mr. Sturtevant pays \$1700 for 34 acres.

WEST SALISBURY.

There will be an oyster supper and donation for the benefit of Rev. Mr. Heath at the church in West Salisbury on Wednesday evening, January 20. A cordial invitation is given.

GENERAL COUNTY ITEMS.

The farmers in the vicinity of Vergennes are agitating the creamery question.

Samuel J. Allen of Vergennes has been awarded a pension of \$2 a month and \$500 back pay.

It is reported that F. D. Barton of Waltham has recently sold 20 head of young ewes, Spanish Merino, for \$2000.

Rev. Elizabeth Delevan, pastor of the Weybridge Methodist church, has been holding meetings in Rutland this week.

W. W. Eaton, who taught Newton academy, Shoreham, in the fall, has returned here and is holding a winter term.

Mrs. Harriet Burroughs of Ferrisburgh, and her son William A., were seriously injured, the other evening, by being thrown from their carriage near the residence of Amos Wetherbee. Mrs. Burroughs sustained a severe contusion of her forehead and left arm, but fortunately no bones were broken.

The stockholders of the Farmer's National bank, Vergennes, on Tuesday elected Walter Scranton, W. H. Leroy, N. F. Dunshie, C. W. Read, M. F. Allen, and D. H. Lewis, directors; and Walter Scranton was made president; M. F. Allen, vice-president; D. H. Lewis, cashier, and S. W. Hines, assistant cashier.

A Troy (New York) dispatch of the 8th inst. says: It is discovered that George W. Grandey, Jr., agent of the Port Henry Iron Ore company, disappeared about two weeks ago. He is several hundred dollars short in his accounts. The young man is a son of Hon. George W. Grandey of Vergennes, Vt., and has a wife and child.

The National bank of Vergennes chose these directors Tuesday: C. T. Stevens, David Smith, Marshall Smith, Herrick Stevens, T. S. Drake, R. T. Bristol and J. M. Deane. The officers are: President, C. T. Stevens; vice-president, David Smith; cashier, Andrew Ross; assistant cashier, C. H. Strong. The bank has declared a semi-annual dividend of 3 1/2 per cent.

At the meeting of the stockholders of the First National bank of Orwell, Tuesday, the following officers were elected: Virtulon Rich, T. A. Hammond, William

B. Wright, Cyrus Jennings and C. E. Bush, directors; V. Rich, president; T. A. Hammond, vice-president; C. E. Bush, cashier, and J. S. Wilcox, assistant cashier. A semi-annual dividend of 5 per cent. was paid January 1st.

There was almost a railroad accident near Vergennes the other day. As the afternoon train approached the crossing half a mile south of the depot Engineer Pratt discovered a tie on the track. He had time to slacken the speed of the train and no damage was done. The job is believed to have been the work of a tramp, who was seen driving cows near by. He was chased by the officers, but they gave up the pursuit on finding that there was not much evidence against the man.

State News.

Joseph Tierney, a well known St. Albans horse-trainer, died last week, aged 51 years.

St. Johnsbury young men are organizing a snow-shoe club for the winter sports.

A new 28-column woman's literary paper, the *Vermont Literary Quarterly*, has been launched at Montpelier.

H. I. Hawley of Waterbury was burned about the head Monday, but not seriously, in consequence of the upsetting of a kerosene lamp.

The university of Vermont catalogue has a total of 354 names of students, 163 being in the academical department and 191 in the medical school.

Montpelier hasn't had a fire since 1883, and Engine company No. 5 of that town have disbanded believing there is no further use for their services.

Rev. F. C. Cowper, rector of St. Mary's church in Northfield, has accepted a call to a church at Phillipsburg, Pa. He will leave Northfield January 18.

Receiver Witters of the First National bank of St. Albans has received from the comptroller an order to make a 12 1/2 per cent. dividend, amounting to about \$35,500.

Jedediah Williams of Braintree, recently injured by a runaway, is going to sue the town of Randolph for damages because his horse was frightened by a licensed dog.

Edward Kinney, a workman in a Rutland marble quarry, 20 years old, was probably fatally injured Thursday by a small piece of marble from a blast striking him in the back.

Gymnastic training is to be given to the girls in St. Johnsbury academy and one young woman has gone to Boston for a month's instruction to enable her to form classes and teach the exercises through the year.

The Sprague Guards of Brandon have chosen these officers: Clerk, Ira Langdon; treasurer, J. W. Symons; finance committee, E. C. Davis, W. C. Langdon, J. Germond; standing committee, L. G. Barrett, A. J. Dimick, C. B. McCollan; armorer, Ira Langdon.

Rutland again has street lights and policemen. President Bottom vetoes a second time the trustees' order to shut down the village machinery, and as the matter must lie over till a regular monthly meeting, the people are assured of light and protection until February.

F. M. Wood, recently appointed postmaster at South Londonderry, has been deposed on charges reported to the department by Inspector Lamson, among which was that of selling mortgaged property. Henry Goddard, father of the Ludlow lawyer, is the new appointee.

A stock company called the Record Publishing company has been formed at Fairhaven and about February first it will start a new weekly Republican newspaper, called the *Rutland County Record*. It is understood that Frank W. Redfield, former proprietor of the Fairhaven *Era*, will run the new venture.

We are glad to notice that Gov. Robinson recommends a renewal of the appropriation of \$7500 in aid of the Bennington monument, which lapsed by reason of failure of conditions. The monument projected is to be a worthy one, and Massachusetts should have a share in it, as she had a large one in the event to be commemorated.—*Boston Herald*.

Don A. Barker sold to the Poultney Slate works, January 4, the leased lot of 12 acres on which their works are situated, and the pond farm, so called, of 100 acres, for \$7000. This property has proved to be very valuable. Mr. Barker still owns the home farm of 110 acres, on which are two veins of sea green slate, one leased by Griffith & Nathaniel and the other to the Garfield Slate company of Boston.

An old native of Springfield, now in Detroit, Mich., suggests the plan of a survey of the old military road twisting over the mountains across the State from Crown Point to Fort No. 4, now Charlestown, N. H., and the erection of suitable memorials along the route. The road was built near the close of the French and Indian war and played an important part in the movement of troops in the succeeding Indian wars and the Revolution.

At East Elmore recently a tramp entered Frank Grant's barn and killed one of the best cows in a most brutal manner, driving nine different articles, consisting of an iron horse-rake tooth, a shovel handle, and several pieces of board, some of them three feet long, into the abdomen of the animal. The house was unoccupied, so he had a good chance to do the mischief. His cane being bloody was what first led to the discovery by H. H. Bangs, who has charge of the farm.

The chief case of interest in which a decision was rendered at the adjourned general term of the supreme court at Burlington last week was Rutland Railroad Company versus Clement & Sons, J. M. Haven and J. A. Mead. The decree of the chancery court was reversed and the cause remanded with mandate for a decree, that the bill be dismissed with costs to the defendants and that upon the cross bill as against the defendants therein, the Rutland Railroad company, the certificates in suit, namely the certificates purporting to represent 2970 shares of the preferred stock, but which are alleged to be void, being seventeen certificates numbered from 6251 to 6263 inclusive, and from 6280 to 6283 inclusive, are established as valid and as representing 2970 genuine shares of said preferred stock; and for costs to the orators in said cross bill and the said cross bill be dismissed as to said J. A. Mead and Joel M. Haven without costs.

The *Messenger* tells of a queer case pending before the probate court at St. Albans. It is an application for the appointment of a guardian for Zachariah Brown of Fletcher. The application grows out of the fact that Brown is said to have certain financial obligations, and has such novel ideas of living and business that his friends and neighbors can do nothing with him. Mr. Brown is about 60 years old, and lives alone on his place in Fletcher, having no buildings but two large barns, filled with hay. For the last 15 or 20 years he has lived there, sleeping in the hay mow, and cooking his victuals out of doors in a large iron kettle. For some 15 years he has allowed his hay to accumulate, selling little or none of it during that time; beside the two large barns full, he has some 15 hay stacks—refusing to sell any of it, because he considers that "it is better than money at ten per cent." Some time ago he froze his feet badly, and narrowly escaped losing one of them. His neighbors recently advised him to sell part of his hay to meet his pecuniary obligations, and on his refusal to give somebody a power of attorney to effect a sale, this application for the appointment of a guardian was made.

It is announced that the delay in the appearance of the first volume of Hon. G. G. Benedict's "Vermont in the Rebellion" is made in order to have it fuller and more complete. One of the causes has been the delay in securing a portrait of Gen. W. T. H. Brooks, who was the first commander, and has been called the "author, founder and finisher" of the old First Vermont brigade. Gen. Brooks died in Alabama in 1876. His widow left that State a year or two later, and though constant search has been conducted, and many letters written to find her, and to secure a picture of the general from officers who served under him, no trace either of Mrs. Brooks, or of a portrait of Gen. Brooks, could be obtained. Within a very few days past, and after almost giving up all hope of success in the search, the historian has fortunately been placed in correspondence with Mrs. Brooks, and has obtained from her an excellent photograph of the general, which is now in the engraver's hands, and will be completed as soon as possible, for the first volume of the history. To the soldiers of the old brigade, the possession of this portrait will be an ample reward for waiting.

General News.

DOMESTIC.

The Senate has passed Mr. Edmunds' Utah bill.

The Speaker of the House of Representatives announced the committees on Thursday morning.

A Republican postmaster in Kentucky has been arrested for refusing to turn over the office to his Democratic successor.

The message of Gov. Lloyd of Maryland gives the net debt of the State as \$6,451,563, with a sinking fund of \$646,325. He says that 40,712 persons are employed in the the oyster business, and that last season 9,000,000 bushels were taken from the waters in Maryland, the aggregate value of which was \$2,225,000.

Dennis McGowan, a Philadelphia restaurant keeper, and his three brothers, George, John and Charles, have just learned that by the death of their brother, Patrick, in New South Wales they have become heirs to a fortune running up into the millions.

Maine held a legislative reunion, patterned after the Vermont affair, last week. About 1200 of the State's prominent men were present. It closed Thursday night with a full-dress ball.

The business failures during the week ended Saturday, as reported to R. G. Dun & Co. and E. Russell & Co., number for the United States 316 and for Canada 20, a total of 336 failures, the largest aggregate for any week since January, 1885.

The silver coinage business bids fair to be well ventilated before this session of Congress closes. The fight began in the Senate last week with speeches from Senators Gray of Delaware and McPherson of New Jersey, both of whom advocated the suspension.

David S. Terry, ex-chief justice of the supreme court of California, and Sarah Althea Hill, who became famous through her efforts to prove that she was the wife of the late ex-Senator Sharon of Nevada, were married Friday morning in the Catholic church at Stockton, California.

James R. Keene, the New York broker, testified last week in a judgment suit that

he possessed no property, had no income and was supported by his wife's income, upon property derived principally from himself over 10 years ago. Since the appointment of a receiver for his estate he had not speculated in securities or commodities.

Sixteen penitentiary convicts employed in the mines at Coal Hill, Ark., escaped the other day after tunneling 35 feet. The work was begun at the time of the strike three weeks ago. A search was made through the mines to find the passage, but the convicts had so effectually closed it behind them that not a trace of it is left. Only two have been recaptured.

Senator Dawes of Massachusetts has introduced a postal telegraph bill which provides for the establishment of telegraph offices in all post offices and for the transmission of telegrams by contract with existing lines. Rates are fixed at 25 cents for 500 miles and five cents additional for every additional 250 miles for 20-word messages, provided that no rate shall exceed 75 cents.

At Fort Wayne, Ind., Wednesday afternoon, a terrific explosion occurred in the boiler room of St. Mary's Catholic church. A moment later the flames were emerging from the debris of the wrecked church. The fire department succeeded after hours of work in quenching the flames. The church, which was one of the largest and finest in the city, is a complete wreck, and the loss will not be less than \$65,000. The report of the explosion shook the windows in the buildings for a mile around. The air was filled with flying bricks, stones and other portions of the building.

The much-trumpeted Lawrence-Townley estate in England which has led hundreds of claimants in this country on a wild-o'-the-wisp chase, is resolved into its component invisible parts by a communication from the American legation at London, just received by the attorney of a group of claimants about Fon du Lac, Wis. The communication states in brief that there is no money in the bank of England belonging to the "Lawrence-Townley" or the "Townley" estate, or to any claimants under either; that there is no such estate in England as the "Lawrence-Townley" estate, nor any known family of that designation; that the "Townley estate" is a large landed property in the counties of Lancaster and York, which is now, and has been for a very long time, in the possession of its proprietors, the possession completely protected by the law of England; that there are no unknown or American owners of any part of it, and no ground whatever for any such claim.

The weather of the past week has been exceptionally severe all over the country, but especially in the South and West. Dispatches from towns throughout East Tennessee, North Georgia and North Alabama say that Sunday night was the coldest ever known. In Florida the thermometer went down to an extent indicating that the orange groves are seriously damaged. A Galveston (Tex.) dispatch of Tuesday says: "The weather here and throughout Texas continues raw and cold. Reports from the interior indicate that the loss of stock will prove far greater than was at first supposed. Another victim of Friday's blizzard was found today off Bolivar Point in his little sleep frozen to death. The body was identified as that of Henry Dodge, a hunter by occupation. When the body was discovered it was incased in a solid sheet of ice several inches in thickness. This makes the fourth person frozen to death in Galveston Bay." Trains were snow-bound on all the Western roads Sunday and Monday morning.

FOREIGN.

A spinning-mill at Aix la Chapelle, France, was burned Friday and 15 persons perished in the flames.

Small pox has broken out at Cowansville, Quebec. One person has died and another is sick.

The new French cabinet is announced as follows: President of the council and minister for foreign affairs, M. De Freycinet; interior, M. Sarrien; finance, M. Sadi-Carnot; public instruction, M. Goblet; justice, M. De Mole; agriculture, M. Devell; war, Gen. Boulanger; marine and the colonies, M. Aube; posts and telegraphs, M. Granet; commerce, M. Lockroy, and public works, M. Bailant. A meeting of the new cabinet was held Saturday afternoon at the residence of President Grevy. M. Lockroy will also have charge of industrial affairs, his title being minister of commerce and industry. The control of Tonquin, Annam, Cambodia and Madagascar has been transferred from the ministry of marine to the ministry of foreign affairs.

About a dozen of the most fashionable Montreal tradesmen, furriers, jewelers and tailors are charged with smuggling goods over the United States line; and warrants for their arrests have been issued by Commissioner McMaster of Plattsburg, N. Y. As soon as any one of them sets foot on New York soil he will be taken in charge. The officers claim that for years a number of these tradesmen have carried on a lucrative business with American customers without paying duty. The method is to fill up a trunk with all the necessary adjuncts of a traveler's equipment. The seal skin sacking or other article desired to be smuggled into the United States is placed in the trunk and the whole is checked through as passenger's baggage. It is also claimed that parties are engaged extensively in smuggling diamonds into the United States by way of Canada from Europe, there being no duty on them in the Dominion.